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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Everyone,

I hope everyone has been having a wonderful month of August. It's the time when summer starts to wind down and school is back in session. I am sure that many of you have been out metal detecting in this great weather. This month we will **not** be having the Finds of the Month, so we will be looking forward to seeing your finds in the competition during September.

I would like to give a big **thank you** to our guest speaker last month Mr. Pat Hearty. I'm sure that all of you enjoyed it as much as I did. Going back along the pony express trail and learning more about the experiences and dedication of these young men to deliver the mail across the country was amazing.

We have our Club Picnic planned this month on Aug. 26th @ 6:30 pm (see the attached map for the location and address on page 2). The assignments are: members whose last name begins from A-L bring a salad and M- Z brings a dessert. Anyone who may be coming solo please bring some chips and dip. **Also bring your own meat item to cook, plates and utensils.** The club will provide lots of great drinks, fun and great prizes-including gold. Please encourage the young kids to come out to the picnic. Neil Phillips, wagon master, has a great detecting treasure hunt planned for the little and big kids with some great prizes to be awarded. **Note**: please bring an extra detector if you have one and help the kids feel the thrill of finding treasure. This was a fantastic experience for all of us involved last year, I'm sure it will be again this year.

Thanks everyone for all your support and fun that you bring to this wonderful club we call NUTS!

I look forward to seeing everyone at the picnic. Keep searching for that gold coin, it's just around the corner.

See ya at the meeting.

Todd Monson

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MEETING IS AUGUST 26

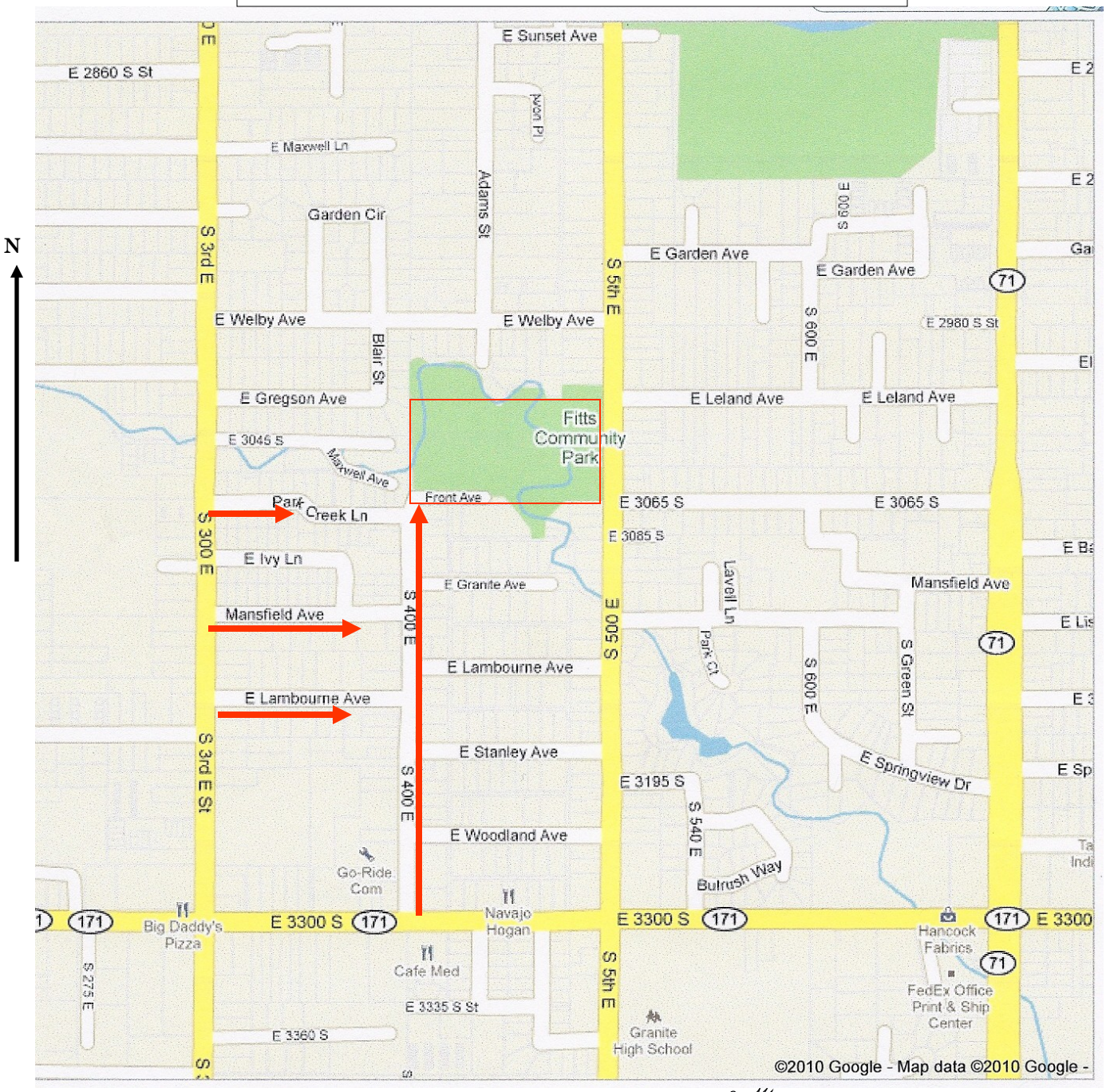
See page 2 for details

We had 59 in attendance in July

N.U.T.S. SUMMER PICNIC
AUGUST 28th

Robert Fitts Park

The park is located between 400 and 500 East and approximately 3100 South. There is parking off both streets. We are at the pavillion on the SW side. See map for entering on the 400 east side.



Last Name A - L

Bring Salad

POTLUCK

Last Name M-Z

Bring Dessert

Bring your own meat to BBQ and your own eating utensils.

JULY WINNERS FIND OF THE MONTH

Cliff Fausett

Todd Monson

Johnny Gallegos

JJ Valerio

Lisa Morey

Anthony Bos

Rene Hebert

Leo Vera

Terry Wright

Mike Morey

Here are four (4) questions and a Bonus question to test your perception, reasoning and the quickness of your logical processing. They are stated simply so you should try to answer them instantly. To assure the accuracy of the results, you should not take your time, but instead, answer each of them immediately .
OK?
Let's find out just how clever you really are....

First Question :
You are a participant in a race. You overtake the second person. What position are you in?
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Answer : If you answered that you are first, then you are absolutely WRONG! If you overtake the second person and you take his place, YOU are in second place!
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Second Question :
If you overtake the last person, then you are...?
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Answer: If you answered that you are second to last, then you are……..WRONG again. Tell me Sunshine, how can you overtake the LAST person?
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Third Question :
Very tricky arithmetic! Note: This must be done in your head only. Do NOT use paper and pencil or a calculator
Try it.
Take 1000 and add 40 to it. Now add another 1000 Now add 30. Add another 1000. Now add 20. Now add another 1000. Now add 10. What is the total?
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Did you get 5000?
The correct answer is actually 4100. If you don't believe it, check it with a calculator! Today is definitely not your day, is it?
Maybe you'll get the last question right... Maybe...
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Fourth Question:
Mary's father has five daughters: 1. Nana, 2. Nene, 3. Nini, 4. Nono, and ??? What is the name of the fifth daughter?
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Did you Answer Nunu? *NO!* Of course it isn't.
Her name is *Mary*! Read the question again!
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Okay, now the **Bonus round**, i.e., a final chance to redeem yourself:

A mute person goes into a shop and wants to buy a toothbrush. By imitating the action of brushing his teeth he successfully expresses himself to the shopkeeper and the purchase is done.
Next, a blind man comes into the shop who wants to buy a pair of sunglasses; how does HE indicate what he wants?
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It's really very simple
He opens his mouth and asks for it...
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UPCOMING EVENTS

AUGUST 26th N.U.T.S. ANNUAL PICNIC
Location: 3100 South 400 East
Time: 6:30 PM

SEPTEMBER

4th – 5th – Foresthill, California. Annual Foresthill Heritage Celebration, California State Gold Panning and Lumberjack Championships, and U.S. National Gold Panning Championships at the Old Foresthill Memorial Park. American Legion Post 587 Annual Pig Roast, music, family events, gold panning, food and craft vendors. Heritage 10 a.m.-5 p.m. daily, Championships Saturday 8 a.m.-5 p.m. For more information, call (530) 367-2891 or log onto www.goldhounds.com

10th – 12th – Derby, New York. The 25th Annual International Treasure Hunt at Wendt Beach Park on Old Lake Shore Road, 5 miles off Exit 57A on New York I-90. Rain or shine, silver and gold hunts. Registration both days from 8:30 - 9:30 a.m. Free camping available, no hook-ups or dump station. For information, call Joe, (716) 632-6129 or Louie, (716) 434-3712, write 5327 Ernest Road, Lockport, NY 14094, or log onto NFRHA.com

11th – Milan, Michigan. Michigan Treasure Hunters' 37th Annual Open Hunt at the KC Campground. For more information, contact Vincent Tremain, 15552 Stonehouse Circle, Livonia, MI 48154, or visit www.michigantreasurehunters.com

11th – 12th – Boonville, Indiana. Lincoln Hills Treasure Club's 4th Annual Treasure Hunt at Scales Lake Park on the sandy beach, sponsored by Robert Jackson. Entry fees put in the hunt as silver dimes. Prize donations welcome. Free Kids' Hunt, Teens' Hunt $10. For more info, contact Robert Jackson at (812) 925-3280 or (812) 305-0295.

18th – Knox, New York. 40th Annual Club Hunt with over $5,000 in prizes, sponsored by the Empire State Metal Detector Association, at the Knox Firemen's Park. For info and registration form, go to www.esmda.org. For more info, contact Bob Lavoy at metal@nycap.rr.com or call (518) 356-0564.

19th – Lathrop, Missouri. 34th Annual Open Hunt sponsored by Mo-Kan Search and Recovery Club at the Lathrop Antique Show Grounds. For more info e-mail Terry Theiss at outboundace@hotmail.com, call Chuck Clevenger at (816) 436-0697, or visit the club website at www.mokansr.com

25th – Pearblossom, California. 1st Annual Outpost Shootout co-sponsored by A.V.T.H.S. & the Outpost at 34141 116th St. E. The shootout is a day-long event, 9 a.m. –5 p.m., for those in the metal detecting hobby, veteran and newbies, and anyone interested in learning more about detecting & treasure hunting. There will be displays of metal detected treasures & information on detectors. Demonstrations will be given. Featured events of the day are planted coin & token hunts-some require a fee to enter. In addition, The Outpost and other sponsors will add more coins and prizes to the hunts. For more info, contact Scott Sandahl at sandahlfamily3@sbcglobal.net

25th – Taunton, Massachusetts. 2nd Annual New England Treasure Show sponsored by the Silver City Treasure Seekers, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at Bristol-Plymouth Technical High School, 940 County Street, Route 140. Adults $4, Seniors $2, Children 12 and under free. For more info, check out www.silvercitytreasureseekers.net or contact Steve Pimentel at (508) 971-1745 or e-mail vester1comcast [dot] net or Joe Baker at (508) 736-1438 or e-mail brudiver05comcast [dot] net or write P.O. Box 818, North Dighton, MA 02764.

25th – 26th – Mt. Vernon, Illinois. The Tri-State Metal Detecting Club will host its Annual two-day hunt loaded with silver coins, unique hunts, prizes, raffles, and lots of fun! For more info, contact Justin Stevens at (618) 201-1853 or by e-mail at tds62864@hotmail.com

26th – 27th – Java Center, New York. Genesee Valley Treasure Seekers, Inc.'s 10th Annual Hunt at the Beaver Meadows Campgrounds. Prizes include detectors, and gold and silver coins. Events benefit the American Cancer Society. For more information, call John Howard at (585) 663-7368.

SEPT. 23rd N.U.T.S. MONTHLY MEETING
Location: 2531 South 400 East, Room 105
Time: 7:00 PM

RECIPE OF THE MONTH
Mary Erickson

1 LB Hamburger Browned
1/2 head chopped lettuce
1 can kidney beans
1/2 to 1 onion chopped
Use Catalina dressing to taste (or use your choice of dressing)
Use tortilla, Doritos or corn chips to sprinkle on top

Date(s): 9/4/2010 All Day (repeat every 1 Day until 9/6/2010)

Take a walk into the past on the first weekend of September. The Fort Bridger Rendezvous is one of the largest mountain man gatherings in the country and is the second largest annual event in Wyoming.

Just $4 will introduce you to the mountain man way of life with fort exhibits, mountain man competitions, and demonstrations all weekend. Attendees are welcome to get into the spirit of the event with authentic dress, but shorts and shirts are accepted as well.

Take home a part of the past with Native American crafts, pioneer inspired toys and homemade treats. A variety of vendors will sell their wares on site - everything from furs to fashion, beads to bear rugs.

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Remember me - forget me not!

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Like postcards that could never be sent - but needed to be given before the final departure - so-called 'convict love tokens' - were the messages that were engraved, scratched or nail-punched (stippled) on smoothed Penny coins by those who were destined never to return home from exile - or were to meet an even more grimmer fate!

They are a poignant reminder of a time when the world was a place made up of distant lands; the smallest crime - or political dissent against the Crown or the British Government of the day - carried awful penalties such as death or exile, and the human spirit of convicted men, women and even children was always in danger of being crushed.

The fear of being forgotten by loved ones was an awful burden to bear!

Those few words crammed onto a smoothed coin - often misspelt - were often the final message between loved ones.

A forlorn plea - "Remember me - forget me not!"

These so-called *'love tokens'* - a development from the sailor's sweetheart tokens from the late 1700's - were usually made in England's crowded prisons or on the hulks that housed countless more convicted felons with time on their hands.

The tokens were usually made from the old Boulton Cartwheel Penny or a similar large copper or bronze coin - using crude implements - sometimes just a nail - and, out of the thousands that were believed to have been made, only a few hundred have survived to this day.

They flourished mainly during the years 1815 - 1845, but now they are considered relatively precious artifacts from a dark past..

It is a story that needs to be told, and remembered, as an important part of numismatic - and national - history.

The prisons of that era were not like the closed and regulated institutions that we recognize today - if you had access to money or could earn a little - life could be made bearable in all sorts of ways with all sorts of people coming and going - with some convicts even having leave privileges - if not, it was diabolical and you rotted, and sometimes died, in your incarceration.

The last 'option' was the lot of the majority - so transportation out of this environment was a blessing in disguise for some convicts.

To keep from going mad with the boredom while waiting for their sentence to expire or their ship to take them into exile - some of the more literate prisoners earned a few pence by writing letters for their fellows - or turned their skills to something more tangible. - *'love tokens'!*

The messages on these tokens were sometimes seen as defiant statements of hope - *or a final cry of despair* - but, as the compilers of the book, *'convict LOVE tokens - the leaden hearts the convicts left behind'* - edited by Michele Field and Timothy Millet (Wakefield Press - 1998) - take pains to explain - they are statements from an era that has left an indelible page on early Australian history.

Drab and brown and hard - these old scratched bronze and copper tokens are the color of our land at times - but they can also reflect the strength and mettle of some of our early convict pioneers and their eventual heritage!

July 22nd Nuts Club Speaker Notes

By Mike Morey

At the July NUTS Club meeting, Mr. Patrick Hearty fascinated club members with his presentation on the history of the Pony Express. Mr. Hearty is an authority on Utah's role in Pony Express history and the President of the National Pony Express Association. The association has gone to great lengths to preserve the history and contributions made by Pony Express riders.

As the West expanded due to event such as the California gold rush and the pioneer settlement of Utah, many settlers found themselves disconnected from their families back East. Anxiety over the tensions brewing between the North and South fueled people's desire for news and communication from the home front. It was typical at that time for mail from the East to take as long as 4 weeks to arrive.

On April 3rd, 1860, the Pony Express began operations between St. Joseph Missouri and Sacramento, California. The operation stemmed from the private mail delivery system of the Central Overland and Pikes Peak Express Company operated by William Russell and Alexander Majors.

Over the next 19 months, young men and fast horses made good on the promise of mail delivery in 10 days. Riders typically raced between stations and exchanged mail satchels at 10-20 mile intervals.

Utah figured prominent in Pony Express operations as the routes of the Mormon and California trails were used. A good supply of able riders, feed, and horses from Utah went into the effort.

With the advent of the telegraph in 1861, the Pony Express died. Thanks to people like Mr. Hearty, we are able to enjoy its history today.

Editor Found Without Any Hair

Husband and firefighter, Eldon Farnsworth, responded to a frantic call from his wife, Mary. He found her in her computer chair without any hair. Apparently she had succumbed to severe frustration in trying to put "The Token Hunter" to bed (which means finish and print it.) Her hair was scattered around her on her desk and on the floor. Crews had to be called in to clean up the mess.

Mary had tried to find someone to write an article for the newsletter, but to no avail. She is regularly helped by Mike Morey, who writes the article on each month's speaker. Todd Monson, the President, also submits a monthly "President's Message." Member Boyd Pickering also frequently has submissions.

Pleas had been made on her behalf at each meeting of the National Utah Token Society (N.U.T.S.) The response was measly. She had found out she could not print any articles by the AP (Associated Press) that appeared in the newspaper without paying a fee on a sliding scale ($120 to print in the Token Hunter.)

Mary had previously stated she wanted to do a good job on the newsletter, but is frequently forced to search for articles on the internet and this takes many hours to do. Permissions must be acquired and it can take many weeks for this to be obtained. She notes that other clubs newsletters have submissions by members on their finds and on their trips. They also have tips in all areas that pertain to their club.

Mary will be recuperating with her husband, who is taking her to her hometown in Sandpoint, Idaho. Any donations (articles) can be submitted to: Mary Farnsworth, 13717 So. Sundown Circle, Riverton, Utah 84065 or email at maryfar7@hotmail.com.

EARTHQUAKES

The people who live in Utah should be constantly aware of the potential of an earthquake to create damage and dangerous conditions. If we don't properly prepare, as individuals and as a community, a quake may cause greater personal damage than necessary. Each item listed below won't stop an earthquake, but it may help you survive in a better way.

DURING an earthquake:
STAY CALM.

1. Inside: Stand in a doorway, or crouch under a desk or table, away from windows or glass dividers.
2. Outside: Stand away from buildings, trees, telephone and electric lines.
3. On the road: Drive away from underpasses/ overpasses; stop in safe area; stay in vehicle.

AFTER an earthquake:

1. Check for injuries -- provide first aid.
2. Check for safety -- check for gas, water, sewage breaks; check for downed electrical lines and shorts; turn off appropriate utilities; check for building damage and potential safety problems during aftershocks, such as cracks around chimney and foundation.
3. Clean up dangerous spills.
4. Wear shoes.
5. Turn on radio and listen for instructions from public safety agencies.
6. Use the telephone only for emergency use.

Be Sure You Know the Following:

1. How to turn off gas, water, and electricity.
2. How to perform first aid.
3. How to reunite your family -- have a plan.

Survival Items:

1. Portable radio with extra batteries.
2. Flashlight with extra batteries.
3. First-aid kit -- including specific medicines needed for members of your household.
4. First-aid book.
5. Fire Extinguisher.
6. Adjustable wrench for turning off gas and water.
7. Smoke detector, properly installed.
8. Portable fire-escape ladder for homes/apartments with multiple floors.
9. Bottle water -- sufficient for the number of members in your household -- not in glass bottles.
10. Canned and dried foods sufficient for a WEEK for each member of your household. *Note: Both water and food should be rotated into normal meals of household so as to keep freshness. Canned goods have a normal shelf-life of one year for maximum freshness.*
11. Non-electric can opener.
12. Portable stove, such as butane or charcoal. *Note: Use of such stoves should not take place until it is determined that there is no gas leak in the area. Charcoal should be burned only outdoors; use of charcoal indoors will lead to carbon-monoxide poisoning.*
13. Blankets and sleeping bags.
14. Matches.
15. Telephone numbers of police, fire, and doctor.
16. Sanitation kit -- see other side for details.

Be sure that you are prepared at work as well as at home and in the car. Keep food, water, clothes, and shoes at work. Be prepared to walk home from work if there is an earthquake. It may take you several days to get back home, so be sure to have enough food and water on hand.

This information is provided by the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the American Red Cross

G.K. Gilbert Geologic View Park, Salt Lake County, Utah

By Sandy Eldredge

Park information: Utah has a new geologic park! Located near the mouth of Little Cottonwood Canyon southeast of Salt Lake City, the park showcases several world-class examples of geologic features and has long been a destination for thousands of people on educational field trips. Five geologic interpretive signs were installed in November 2007 and park dedication took place on May 7, 2008.

The Wasatch fault, Utah's longest and most active fault, exhibits some of its largest fault scarps at this site. Reaching more than 100 feet high, these scarps formed during repeated large earthquakes that displaced the ground surface.

More than a century ago, gold was mined in the Little Willow Formation, and mine dumps are evident near the canyon mouth where the former town of Gold City was located.

How to get there:

From the north:

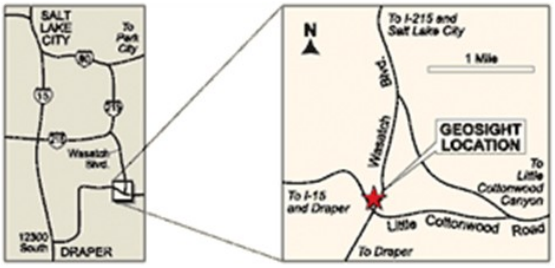
From I-15, take exit #304 onto I-80 East and after 5 miles bear right at exit #128 onto southbound I-215. Travel 5.9 miles, take exit #6 at 6200 South and turn left (east). Within 1 mile the road becomes Wasatch Boulevard near a gravel pit.

Travel 1 more mile to a stoplight and continue straight (south). In 2.1 miles, turn right at a stoplight to continue on Wasatch Boulevard. In 1.1 miles is the junction with Little Cottonwood Road (9800 South); the park is northwest of this junction. Go right (west) to reach the park entrance.

From the south:

From I-15, take exit #291 and go east on UT-71/12300 South towards Draper. In 1.2 miles, the road becomes Draper Parkway. Continue 0.6 miles, then turn left (north) onto 1300 East. In 3.6 miles, turn right (east) onto UT-209/9400 South.

Travel 3 miles to the park entrance on the left (north) side of road just before the junction with Wasatch Boulevard.



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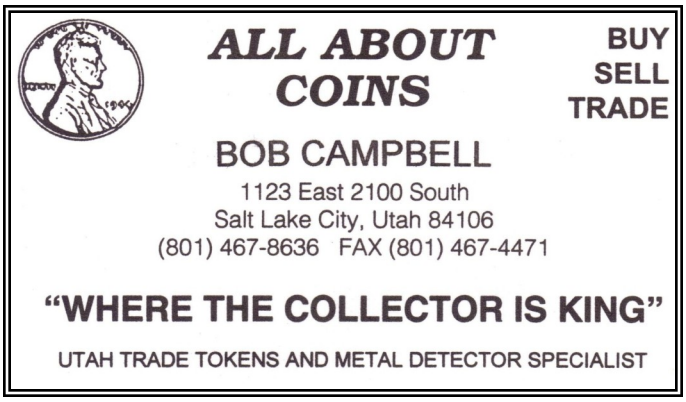
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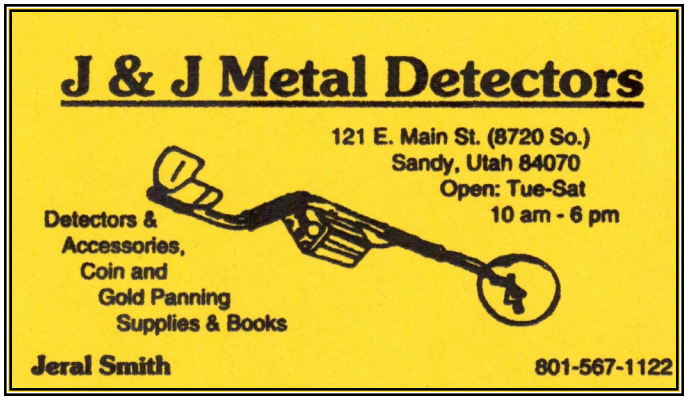
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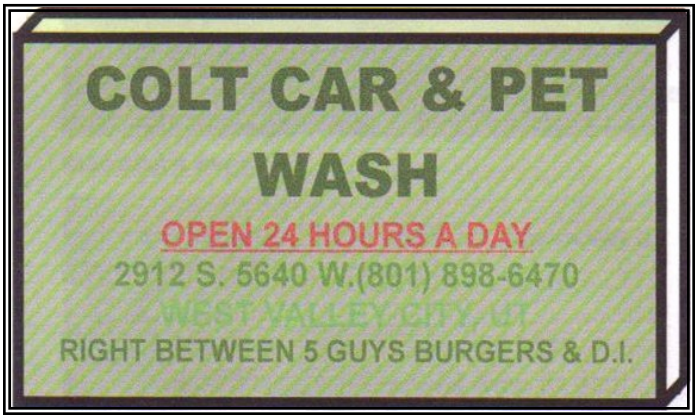
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09/02/2010	Buchanan's Liberty Bronze Medal 1 5/16"
09/20/2010	America the Beautiful Quarters™ Bags and Two-Roll Set - Grand Canyon (AZ)
09/23/2010	United States Mint Presidential $1 Coin & First Spouse Medal Set™ - James Buchanan
09/30/2010	James Buchanan $1 Coin Cover
11/15/2010	America the Beautiful Quarters™ Bags and Two-Roll Set - Mount Hood (OR)
11/18/2010	Abraham Lincoln $1 Coin Rolls
12/02/2010	First Spouse Series One-Half Ounce Gold Coin - Mary Todd Lincoln
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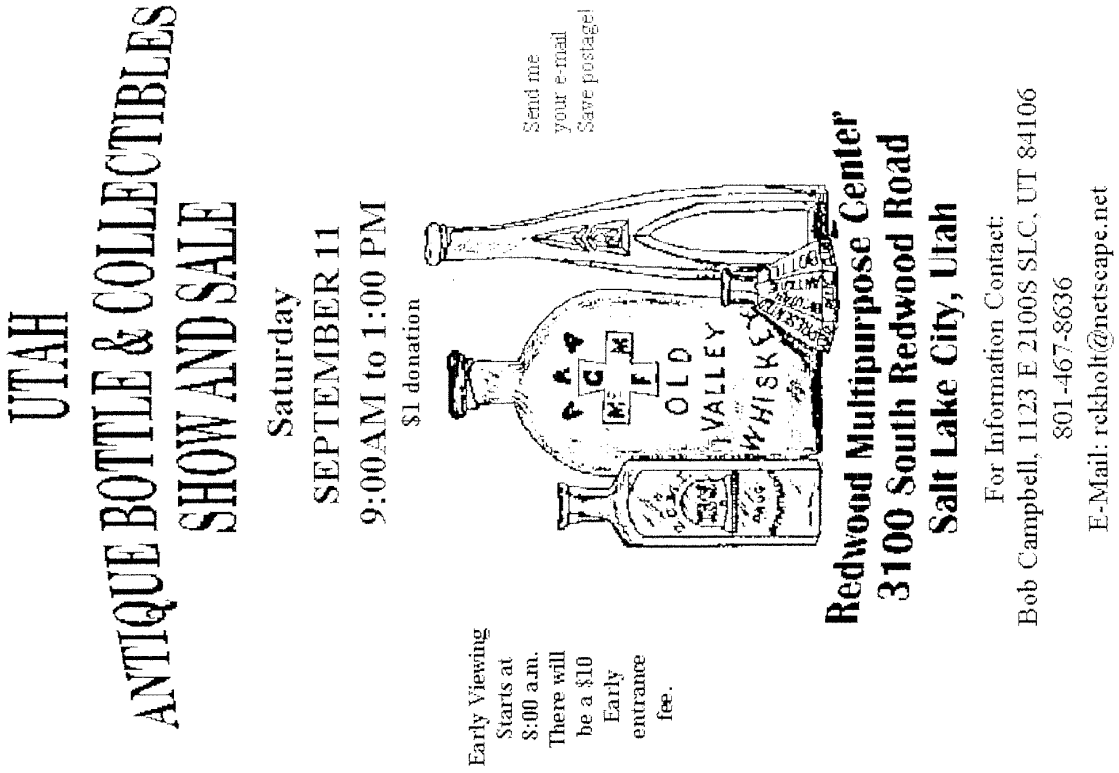

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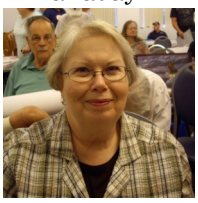
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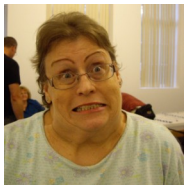
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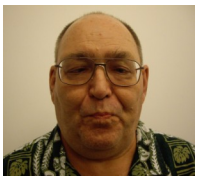
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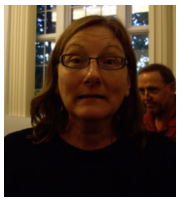
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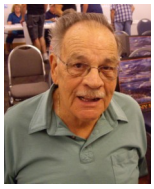
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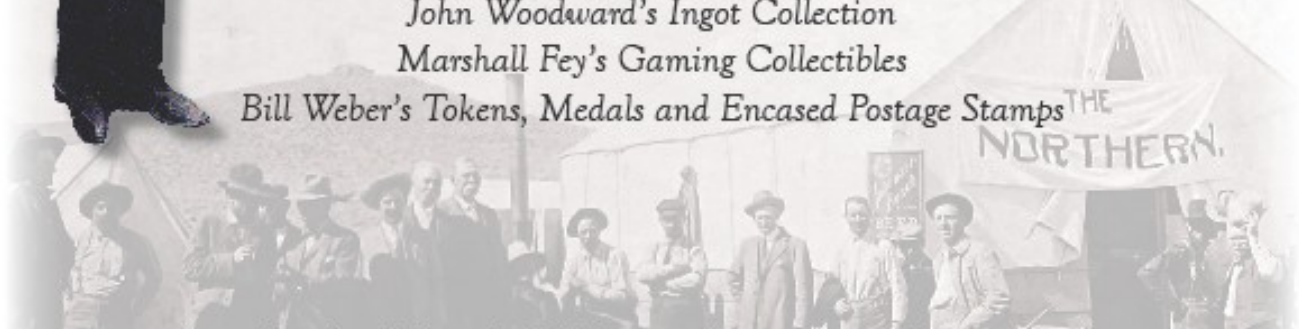

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